



Proclamation

Presented

In Recognition of National Volunteer Month

WHEREAS, National Volunteer Month was established in 1974 and has grown exponentially in scope each year, drawing the support and endorsement of all subsequent United States presidents, governors, mayors, and other respected elected officials nationwide including here in Hawai'i; and

WHEREAS, National Volunteer Month is about inspiring, recognizing and encouraging people to seek out imaginative ways to engage in their community, and demonstrate ways to work together to meet challenges and accomplish common goals; and

WHEREAS, National Volunteer Month encourages individuals and their respective communities to be at the center of social change- discovering and actively demonstrating their collective power to foster positive transformation; and

WHEREAS, National Volunteer Month presents opportunities for families, nonprofit organizations and government entities alike to celebrate the ordinary people who accomplish extraordinary things through service; and

WHEREAS, National Volunteer Month honors the people who dedicate themselves to taking action and heeding the call for help, especially during the times of hardship or natural disasters like the earthquake and tsunami on March 11, 2011 in Japan; and

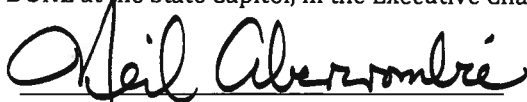
WHEREAS, National Volunteer Month provides events, opportunities and happenings throughout the month of April in Hawai'i to highlight volunteerism;

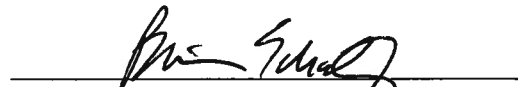
THEREFORE I, NEIL ABERCROMBIE, Governor, and I, BRIAN SCHATZ, Lieutenant Governor of the State of Hawai'i, do hereby proclaim April, 2011 as

"NATIONAL VOLUNTEER MONTH"

in Hawai'i and encourage the people of the Aloha State to join us in recognizing the numerous volunteers across our State for their hard work and dedication to improving our local communities.

DONE at the State Capitol, in the Executive Chambers, Honolulu, State of Hawai'i, this thirty-first day of March, 2011.


NEIL ABERCROMBIE
Governor, State of Hawai'i


BRIAN SCHATZ
Lt. Governor, State of Hawai'i